

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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UGC DIRECTIVES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Varsities sleep over UGC directive" appearing in the 'Hindu' dated July 06, 2002;
- (b) if so, the details of the guidelines/directives issued by UGC to various universities in the last one year;
- (c) the extent to which those guidelines/ directives have been accepted by the Universities and implemented; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that directives of UGC are implemented by universities?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) to (d): According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission, the UGC had constituted Curriculum Development Committees (CDCs) to frame the Model Curricula at under-graduate and post-graduate level in various disciplines of 32 subjects of Science, Humanities and Social Sciences. These Committees consisted of various subject experts, academicians and university teachers, etc. This was done with a view to facilitate the universities to update their existing curricula by providing them inputs to take care of fast paced development in the knowledge of the subject concerned. The UGC has forwarded the model curriculum to universities for their guidance. Universities have the option to adopt the model curricula either in toto or adopt it after making necessary amendments or adopt it after necessary deletion/addition or adopt it after making any change whatsoever, which the University may consider right.